Primordial Molecular Emission in Population III Galaxies

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Abstract

We study formation of molecules in primordial prestellar clumps and evaluate the line luminosities to assess detectability by next-generation facilities. If the initial H_2 fraction is sufficiently high, HD becomes an important coolant in the clumps. The luminosity from such HD cooling clumps is lower than that from H_2 cooling ones because of lower temperature (< 100K). As for Li reactions, we include the three-body LiH formation approximately. The Li molecular fraction remains very low (< 10^{-3}) throughout the evolution owing to the high dissociative reaction rate of LiH + H \rightarrow Li + H_2 . LiH does not become an important coolant in any density range. The luminous emission lines from the prestellar cores include H_2 rovibrational lines: 1-0 Q(1), 1-0 O(3), 1-0 O(5), and pure rotational lines: 0-0 S(3), 0-0 S(4), 0-0 S(5). The next-generation facilities SPICA and JWST are able to detect H_2 emission in a large pre-galactic cloud that forms metal-free stars at a high rate of $\sim 10^3 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}$ at redshift z < 10. We also derive an analytical expression for the luminosity that reproduces the numerical results.

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1. Introduction

Population III (Pop III) stars, which are formed from primordial pristine gas, have been postulated as the origin of metals of metal-deficient stars in the Galactic halo (Schwarzschild, Spitzer 1953). Recent detection of very metal-poor stars renewed an interest in Pop III stars

(e.g. Christlieb et al. 2002). Pop III stars may also account for the presence of metals $(\simeq 3.5 \times 10^{-4} Z_{\odot})$ in the high-z $(z \sim 5)$ L α absorption systems observed in quasar spectra (e.g., Songaila 2001). Additionally, as a source of ultraviolet photons that caused the reionization of the intergalactic medium at $z \simeq 17 \pm 5$ suggested by WMAP data (Bennett et al. 2003), Pop III stars are attracting the attention of many authors (e.g., Ciardi et al. 2003). These observations clearly suggest the importance of roles played by Pop III stars in the early evolution of galaxies.

Partly stimulated by the observations, theoretical studies on the formation of primordial objects in the early universe have made remarkable progress in recent years. Simultaneously, several next-generation large observational facilities are planned, one of whose goals is to detect star formation in the first galaxies. In this context, a variety of observational verifications for scenarios of the first object formation in the early universe has been proposed.

Detectability of primordial pre-galactic clouds has been discussed by some authors. For example, Haiman, Spaans, and Quataert (2000) and Fardal et al.(2001) estimated the L α luminosity from collapsing pre-galactic clouds and discussed their detectability by the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) ¹. Omukai and Kitayama (2003) demonstrated that H₂ lines, in addition to L α emission, were emitted in collapsing pre-galactic clouds and discussed detectability of H₂ rotational lines by the Single Aperture Far-Infrared observatory (SAFIR) ². H₂ line emission from the supershells produced in IGM by supernova (SN) blastwaves of Pop III stars can be detected by JWST (Ciardi, Ferrara 2001). Observational features of clusters of Pop III stars that have already formed have been also studied by many authors (e.g., Bromm et al. 2001; Schaerer 2002; Venkatesan et al. 2003). Near-infrared background anisotropies produced by these clusters may have been detected by the Two Micron All Sky Survey (2MASS) (e.g., Salvaterra, Ferrara 2003; Kashlinsky et al. 2004).

 H_2 -line luminosity from individual Pop III star-forming regions has also been evaluated (Kamaya, Silk 2002; Ripamonti et al. 2002; Mizusawa et al. 2004, hereafter paper I). At first, the H_2 -line emission from the primordial cloud including a number of first star-forming regions was expected to be observable by next generation facilities (Kamaya, Silk 2002; Ripamonti et al. 2002). Later, a flaw was found in the luminosity distance used in their estimations. With the correct luminosity distance, detectability of the H_2 emission at the typical epoch for first star formation ($z \sim 20$) is extremely low even with the Space Infrared Telescope for Cosmology and Astrophysics (SPICA) ³, which is one of the most sensitive facilities planned in this wavelength band (paper I).

Nonetheless, even in lower redshift (say, $z \sim 5$) primordial gas can be present in objects that are formed with delay (Scannapieco et al. 2003). Detection of primordial molecular emission from the first episode of star formation in such objects should be easier than in genuine

¹ http://www.jwst.nasa.gov/

² http://safir.jpl.nasa.gov/whatIs/index.asp

³ http://www.ir.isas.ac.jp/SPICA/

first objects in the universe. In the case of star formation in the first objects, whose mass is small ($\sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$), dense star-forming cores are formed with little fragmentation (Bromm et al. 1999,2002; Abel et al. 2000,2002). On the other hand, in large pre-galactic clouds, post-shock cooled sheets, which are expected to form after virialization, fragment into filamentary clouds (Yamada, Nishi 1998; Yamada 2002). After further contraction and fragmentation of these filaments, star-forming cores are produced. In such clouds, H_2 and HD form abundantly owing to ionization accompanying the strong shock (Uehara, Inutsuka 2000; Nakamura, Umemura 2002) and strong molecular emission is expected. Another trace molecule in primordial gas, LiH, can be an important coolant if all the Li become LiH in spite of small Li abundance (Lepp, Shull 1984). Luminosities of these trace primordial molecular (i.e., HD and LiH) emission were calculated, and their detectability by ALMA was discussed by Kamaya and Silk (2003). In their estimation, however, they again used the incorrect luminosity distances as in Kamaya and Silk (2002). Moreover, their assumption that all the deuterium and lithium are in molecular form, in particular for Li, is not justified, as described later.

In this paper, we investigate the formation of HD and LiH as well as H_2 not also in collapsing star-forming cores but also in filamentary clouds, and estimate their line luminosities. Here, to assess the importance of HD and LiH lines as coolants, we include the deuterium and lithium chemical reactions in addition to the processes considered in paper I and calculate these molecular fractions and luminosities. This treatment improves that of Kamaya and Silk (2003), who adopted a rather crude assumption for HD and LiH fraction without solving chemical reactions. In particular, we include the Li three-body reaction in an approximate way, by which the complete conversion of Li into LiH has been envisaged (Stancil et al. 1996). Additionally, we consider the formation reaction of LiH

$$\text{Li} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{LiH} + \text{H},$$
 (1)

which is the inverse reaction of the dominant LiH dissociation reaction. Since their rate coefficients are not well contrained, these reactions have not been included in studies on the first star formation. Considering possible variations of these rates, we study the effect of different rate coefficients. Furthermore, we also assess the effects of different initial conditions, which correspond to different sizes of parent clouds, while in paper I we only calculated a single case. As for the geometry of clouds, we consider not only spherical cores, which are assumed in paper I, but also filamentary clouds, which are supposed to form in large pre-galactic clouds ($\gtrsim 10^8 M_{\odot}$). As in paper I, we evaluate the luminosities of primordial molecules both in the accretion and collapse phases, while related works by Kamaya and Silk (2002,2003) and Ripamonti et al. (2002) studied only the collapse phase.

Using this model, we discuss the condition, i.e., formation redshift, star formation rate (SFR), and size of parent pre-galactic clouds of Pop III stars that permit SPICA and JWST to detect primordial molecular emission. We found that those facilities can observe H₂ line

emission in a pre-galactic cloud at z < 10 with SFR $\sim 10^{3-4} M_{\odot}/{\rm yr}$. LiH fraction is found to remain low ($< 10^{-3}$ of total Li nuclei) even in such high densities where the three-body reaction is important. This is because of the high rate of dissociation reaction

$$LiH + H \rightarrow Li + H_2.$$
 (2)

The structure of this paper is as follows: In section 2, our calculation method and results for spherical star-forming cores are described. In section 3, modification in the method and results for filamentary clouds are presented. In section 4, we give discussions about (i) an analytical estimate of molecular line luminosities, which agrees well with numerical calculations in sections 2 and 3, and (ii) detectability of primordial star-forming regions by next-generation facilities, SPICA and JWST. Finally, we summarize this paper briefly in section 5.

2. Evolution of a Spherical Star-Forming Core

2.1. The Model

In this paper, we use the same method as in paper I in calculating the dynamical and luminosity evolution of star-forming cores. Modification from the previous model is addition of deuterium and lithium chemical reactions and the cooling due to HD and LiH.

2.1.1. Dynamics

In our analysis, dynamics in two phases of star formation, i.e., the runaway collapse phase and the main accretion phase, corresponding to before and after the formation of a central protostar, are treated in different ways because of their vastly different dynamical natures.

In the run-away collapse phase, the dynamics is described mathematically by a Larson-Penston type similarity solution (Larson 1969; Penston 1969). In this solution, the cloud can be divided into two regions: the central densest region and the lower density envelope. Since the central densest region collapses at roughly the free-fall time, $t_{\rm ff} = \sqrt{3\pi/32G\rho_c}$, which inversely depends on the density, the envelope with lower density remains almost unevolved. Thus this evolution is called the run-away collapse. The central region with a flat density distribution has a length scale about the local Jeans length, $\lambda_{\rm J} = \sqrt{c_{\rm s}^2 \pi/G\rho_c}$, where $c_{\rm s}$ and $\rho_{\rm c}$ are the sound speed and density at the center. On the other hand, the envelope is characterized by density decreasing with radius by the power-law $\rho \propto r^{-2/(2-\gamma)}$, where $\gamma = d\ln P/d\ln \rho$ is the effective adiabatic coefficient (Larson 1969).

Here, we model the central region as a sphere with radius $R_{\text{core}} = \alpha \lambda_{\text{J}}/2$, and collapsing at the free-fall rate with pressure modification:

$$\frac{d\rho_{\rm c}}{dt} = \frac{\rho_{\rm c}}{\beta t_{\rm ff}},\tag{3}$$

where α and β are correction factors of order unity owing to finite pressure gradient force. These values will be given below shortly. Considering the run-away nature of the collapse, we assume that physical quantities evolve only when the mass shell is inside the central region, i.e. $r < R_{\text{core}}$: after the matter has left behind the central evolution and become part of the envelope, those quantities are kept constant until the end of this phase. With this assumption, we can construct the whole density and velocity structures by calculating only the evolution of central quantities.

The evolution of primordial star-forming clouds in the run-away collapse phase is studied by way of one-dimensional (spherical symmetric) radiative hydrodynamics by Omukai and Nishi (1998). They found that actual dynamics is approximated by the Larson-Penston type similarity solution (Larson 1969; Penston 1969) with $\gamma = 1.09$. For the self-similar solution with $\gamma = 1.09$, $\alpha = 1.13$ and $\beta = 2.13$, which we use hereafter.

At the end of the collapse phase, a small protostar forms at the center. Although the protostar is initially small, it grows in mass by accreting the surrounding matter. This is the onset of the main accretion phase. In this phase, since the pressure gradient force is negligible compared with the gravitational force, we assume that the matter in the envelope infalls at the free-fall rate. The evolution of each mass shell is given by

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -\frac{GM_r}{r^2},\tag{4}$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = v, (5)$$

where v is the velocity of a free-falling mass shell, and M_r is the mass contained inside the mass shell. The density of a free-falling mass shell, ρ , is described by $\rho \propto r^{-3/2}$. Using these equations, we calculate the evolution of each mass shell until the beginning of H₂ dissociation.

2.1.2. Thermal Evolution

We follow the evolution of the internal energy per unit mass

$$e = \frac{1}{\gamma_{\rm ad} - 1} \frac{kT}{\mu m_{\rm H}} \tag{6}$$

by solving the energy equation

$$\frac{de}{dt} = -P\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{1}{\rho}\right) - \frac{\Lambda_{\text{tot}}}{\rho},\tag{7}$$

where P is the pressure, μ is the mean molecular weight, and $m_{\rm H}$ is the mass of the hydrogen nucleus. The total cooling rate per unit volume, $\Lambda_{\rm tot}$, is the sum of the following contributions:

$$\Lambda_{\text{tot}} = \Lambda_{\text{H}_2} + \Lambda_{\text{HD}} + \Lambda_{\text{LiH}} + \Lambda_{\text{chem}}, \tag{8}$$

where $\Lambda_{\rm H_2}$ is the cooling rate by $\rm H_2$ line emission, $\Lambda_{\rm HD}$ by HD line emission and $\Lambda_{\rm LiH}$ by LiH line emission, and $\Lambda_{\rm chem}$ is the net cooling rate by chemical reactions. The dominant contribution to $\Lambda_{\rm chem}$ is the cooling by $\rm H_2$ dissociation. Although we have also included the cooling by continuum emission as in paper I, it is always negligible in comparison with other terms. The $\rm H_2$ cooling is treated in the same way as in paper I, where we considered effects of radiation

Table 1. Additional Li Chemical Reactions.

Numbers	Reactions	Rate Coefficients
1	$\mathrm{Li}+\mathrm{H}_2 \to \mathrm{LiH}+\mathrm{H}$	$k_1 = 2.0 \times 10^{-11} (Q_{\text{LiH}}/Q_{\text{H}_2}) \exp(-2.28 \times 10^4/T) \text{ cm}^3 \dagger$
2	$\mathrm{Li}+2\mathrm{H}\rightarrow\mathrm{LiH}+\mathrm{H}$	$k_2 = 2.5 \times 10^{-29} / T \text{ cm}^6$
3	$\mathrm{Li}+\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{H}_2\rightarrow\mathrm{LiH}+\mathrm{H}_2$	$k_3 = 4.1 \times 10^{-30} / T \text{ cm}^6$

Table 1. In addition to the Li reactions except photoreactions in Table 1 of Stancil, Lepp, and Dalgarno (1996), we included the three reactions above.

trapping for optically thick lines by the escape probability method. In addition to the above processes considered in paper I, here we include the HD and LiH cooling. For the collisional de-excitation rate of HD, we use the rate coefficients of Flower et al. (2000). We take account of the first eight rotational levels of HD. In calculating the emissivity of HD lines, we use the same method as for H_2 lines. The cooling rate by LiH lines Λ_{LiH} is given by

$$\Lambda_{\text{LiH}} = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{LiH}}(\text{LTE})}{1 + n_{\text{cr}}/n(\text{H})}.$$
(9)

The critical density for LTE $n_{\rm cr}$ is

$$n_{\rm cr}/n({\rm H}) = \frac{\Lambda_{\rm LiH}({\rm LTE})}{\Lambda_{\rm LiH}[n({\rm H}) \to 0]},\tag{10}$$

where $\Lambda_{\text{LiH}}(\text{LTE})$ is the cooling rate at the LTE, $\Lambda_{\text{LiH}}[n(H) \to 0]$ is that in the low density limit. For $\Lambda_{\text{LiH}}[n(H) \to 0]$, we use the fit by Galliand Palla (1998).

2.1.3. Chemistry

In addition to the hydrogen chemical network in paper I, we solve major deuterium chemistry between D, D⁺, D⁻, HD, and HD⁺, and lithium chemistry between Li, Li⁺, Li⁻, LiH, LiH⁺. The included D reactions and their coefficients are the same as in Nakamura and Umemura (2002; Table 1). The Li reactions include those in Stancil, Lepp, and Dalgarno (1996) and are given in Table 1.

Stancil, Lepp, and Dalgarno (1996) discussed possible enhancement of LiH via the three-body reactions

$$\text{Li} + \text{H} + \text{H} \rightarrow \text{LiH} + \text{H},$$
 (11)

$$Li + H + H_2 \rightarrow LiH + H_2, \tag{12}$$

at high enough densities. We also include these reactions. Without accurate measurement of the rate coefficients for these reactions, we estimate them by assuming the same reaction cross sections as those of the corresponding hydrogen three-body reactions (Palla et al. 1983) but with correction owing to different molecular weight. The dissociative reaction

$$LiH + H \rightarrow Li + H_2 \tag{13}$$

 $[\]dagger$ $Q_{\rm H_2}$ and $Q_{\rm LiH}$ are partition functions of $\rm H_2$ and LiH from Sauval and Tatum (1984).

Table 2. Initial model parameters.

model	T(K)	$y(H_2)$		
S1 (fiducial)	200	5×10^{-4}		
S2	100	5×10^{-4}		
S3	300	5×10^{-4}		
S4	400	5×10^{-4}		
S5	200	2×10^{-3}		
S6	200	10^{-3}		
S7	200	10^{-4}		

Table 2. The initial condition is taken at the number density 10^4cm^{-3}

is important for limiting LiH fraction owing to its high reaction coefficient $k_{\rm diss} = 2.0 \times 10^{-11} {\rm cm}^3$. We include the inverse reaction

$$\text{Li} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{LiH} + \text{H}$$
 (14)

with its rate coefficient calculated from the detailed balance.

2.1.4. Luminosity Calculation

For the thermal evolution, we employ an assumption similar to that for the dynamics: physical quantities evolve only when the mass element is inside the central region. After the mass element is left behind the central collapse at some instance, the physical quantities of the matter are kept constant until the end of the collapse phase. In this way, we can construct the distribution of temperature and chemical compositions in the entire cloud, as well as the density and velocity structures. Using this cloud structure, we calculate the molecular line emissivity in each part of the cloud (see 2.1.2) and estimate the total line luminosity by summing those from the central region and from the envelope.

2.2. Initial conditions

We start calculations at the number density of 10^4cm^{-3} . We calculate seven models whose initial temperature and H_2 concentrations are given in Table 2. The model S1, which we call the fiducial model hereafter, represents the typical parameter set of first-star forming cores (e.g., Bromm et al. 2002). Around the fiducial parameters, we put possible variations of initial temperature and H_2 abundance for other models.

In particular, the difference in H₂ abundance reflects the past history of star-forming cores in the parent cloud. If mass of the parent cloud is $\sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$, i.e., at the size of the first luminous objects in the standard Λ CDM cosmology, the H₂ abundance reaches at most $y({\rm H}_2) \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$ at the formation of star-forming core ($\sim 10^4 {\rm cm}^{-3}$; e.g., Abel et al. 2002; Bromm et al. 2002). On the other hand, if the parent cloud is a giant pre-galactic cloud, i.e., $\gtrsim 10^8 M_{\odot}$, and its virial temperature is higher than $10^4 {\rm K}$, the abundant H₂ is formed

 $(y(\mathrm{H}_2) \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-2})$ owing to shock ionization and subsequent non-equilibrium H₂ formation (Shapiro, Kang 1987; Susa et al. 1998; Oh, Haiman 2002). Considering the difference in parent cloud mass, we calculate models of both low- (models S1, S7) and high- (models S5, S6) H₂ abundance. Similarly, for observing dependence on different initial temperatures from the fiducial one, we calculate models S2-4. The ionization degree is set to be $y(\mathrm{e}^-) = 10^{-8}$. The abundances of other chemical species are fixed to the values calculated for the study of molecule formation in the primordial gas by Galli and Palla (1998): $y(\mathrm{D}) = 4 \times 10^{-5}$, $y(\mathrm{HD}) = 1.2 \times 10^{-9}$, $y(\mathrm{Li}) = 10^{-10}$, $y(\mathrm{Li}) = 1.2 \times 10^{-10}$, $y(\mathrm{LiH}) = 7.1 \times 10^{-20}$, $y(\mathrm{LiH}) = 9.4 \times 10^{-18}$. The initial abundance of H₂⁺, H₃⁺, H⁻, D⁺, D⁻, HD⁺, Li⁻ are set to zero. The concentration of the *i*th species y(i) is defined by $y(i) = n(i)/n_{\mathrm{H}}$, where n(i) is the number density of the *i*th species and n_{H} is the number density of hydrogen nuclei.

2.3. Numerical Results

2.3.1. Evolution in the Fiducial Case

The evolution of the star-forming core in the fiducial case (model S1) is presented in Figure 1, where (a) the temperature and (b) the H_2 , HD, and LiH fractions are shown against the number density. Here, the molecular fraction denotes the fraction of each element converted into the molecular species. For example, for LiH, the molecular fraction f(LiH) is defined as $f(LiH) = n(LiH)/n_{Li}$, where n_{Li} is the number density of Li nuclei. In Figure 1(a), the solid curves show the evolution of the central region in the collapse phase. For the accretion phase, the evolution of three representative mass-shells is indicated by long- and short-dashed and dotted lines. The bold and thin lines indicate the temperature of the fiducial model and of the model with same parameters but without HD cooling, respectively. In Figure 1(b), the H_2 , HD and LiH fractions at the central region in the collapse phase are shown by solid and dashed and dotted lines.

The small enhancement of HD fraction and resultant HD cooling in $n < 10^5 \text{cm}^{-3}$ (Figure 1b) causes a slight deviation in temperature evolution from the case without HD (see Figure 1a). With increasing temperature for $n > 10^5 \text{cm}^{-3}$, this HD is soon dissociated. The reason for this sudden HD dissociation is as follows: the abundance of HD in this density range is determined by balance between formation via

$$D^{+} + H_{2} \to H^{+} + HD,$$
 (15)

and dissociation via

$$HD + H^+ \to H_2 + D^+. \tag{16}$$

The equilibrium abundance between these reactions is given by $y(\text{HD})/y(\text{H}_2) = 2\exp(464\text{K}/T)y(\text{D}^+)/y(\text{H}^+)$, which means that for low temperatures (T < 464K), HD fraction is enhanced relative to H₂ fraction. When the density exceeds the critical density $n_{\rm cr} \sim 10^5 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ for HD to reach the local thermodynamic equilibrium, the temperature begins to increase.

Since the increase in temperature reduces the HD fraction, HD cooling becomes inefficient. At higher density, the two evolutionary paths in Figure 1(a) converge. Accordingly, the presence of HD does not alter the evolution in the fiducial case for higher densities. In particular, the HD cooling does not modify the temperature evolution of mass shells in the accretion phase (Figure 1a).

Hydrogen becomes fully molecular at $\sim 10^{11} {\rm cm}^{-3}$ via the three-body reactions,

$$3H \rightarrow H_2 + H,$$
 (17)

$$2H + H_2 \rightarrow 2H_2, \tag{18}$$

which start at $\sim 10^8 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ (Palla et al. 1983). Simultaneously, all the deuterium becomes HD via the molecular exchange reaction

$$D + H_2 \to H + HD. \tag{19}$$

On the other hand, Figure 2 shows the effect of different LiH formation rate coefficients on the LiH fraction. Along with the case with the standard rate given in Table 1, following cases are shown:

[Case 1] the molecular exchange reaction (reaction 1 in table 1) is excluded from chemistry. The rate of three-body reactions (reactions 2,3 in Table 1) are the same as the standard values (case 1a) or is increased by a factor of ten (1b).

[Case 2] the rates of the molecular exchange reaction and its inverse are reduced by a factor of 10 (case 2a) or 100 (2b) from the standard ones. In Figure 2, the LiH fraction in $n < 10^{12} {\rm cm}^{-3}$ increases if the rate coeffecients of the reaction 1 and its inverse are decreased (i.e, case 2): since the LiH formation is suppressed by the dissociative reaction (equation 13; Stancil et al. 1996; Bougleux, Galli 1997; Puy, Signore 1998), lowering the rate coeffecient for this reaction results in enhancement of the LiH fraction. However, even in these cases, the LiH fraction remains $< 10^{-7}$ for $n < 10^{12}$ cm⁻³ and their cooling rate is always negligible. At $\sim 10^{12} {\rm cm}^{-3}$, the LiH fraction increases with the onset of the molecular exchange reaction (reaction 1 in Table 1). The Li three-body reactions are negligible in comparison with the exchange reaction for LiH formation. For higher density, the molecular fraction of lithium saturates at the equilibrium value $\sim 10^{-3}$ (Figure 1b, 2). As in Figure 3, the total cooling rate by LiH $L_{\rm LiH}$ is less than $10^{28}{\rm erg~s^{-1}}$ in $n<10^{12}{\rm cm^{-3}}$. At $n\sim10^{13}{\rm cm^{-3}}$, the maximum value $L_{\rm LiH} \sim 10^{33} {\rm erg~s^{-1}}$ is reached, which is lower than $L_{\rm H_2}$ and $L_{\rm HD}$ by 2-3 orders of magnitude. Some authors (Lepp, Shull 1984; Stancil et al. 1996) considered that in some late stages of the collapse all the lithium might be converted to LiH by the three-body reactions, and thus LiH could be an important coolant. However, in our calculation, LiH never become an important coolant in any evolutionary stage. As for HD, $L_{\rm HD}$ is smaller by more than an order of magnitude than $L_{\rm H_2}$ for $n > 10^6 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, although $L_{\rm HD}$ is comparable to $L_{\rm H_2}$ at $n < 10^6 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ in the fiducial case (Figure 3).

2.3.2. Dependence on Initial Conditions

In the following, we describe the dependence on initial conditions. First, we show the dependence on initial temperature by comparing the fiducial model with models S2-4 (Figure 4). For the initial temperature $\gtrsim 200$ K, temperature drops, since the H₂ cooling is effective in this temperature range. On the other hand, for lower initial temperatures, the temperature rises with the compressional heating owing to inefficient cooling. Then, the temperature approaches around $T \simeq 200$ K, and for $n \sim 10^5$ cm⁻³, these evolutionary trajectories converge in all these cases.

Next, we see the dependence on initial H_2 abundance $y_i(H_2)$ by comparing between the fiducial model and models S5-7 (Figure 5). For low initial H₂ abundances $y_i(H_2) \lesssim 10^{-3}$, the temperature does not drop sufficiently for HD formation. In this case, without enough HD formation, the temperature evolution follows the fiducial case closely (see Figure 5a). The situation changes for higher values of initial H₂ abundance $y_i(H_2) \ge 10^{-3}$, (Uehara, Inutsuka 2000; Nakamura, Umemura 2002). With such a high value of $y_i(H_2)$, the temperature falls below the threshold value (~ 150 K) for HD formation. Because of the rapid HD formation and consequent HD cooling, the temperature drops further. Although HD cooling becomes inefficient after the density exceeds the critical value for LTE ($\sim 10^5 {\rm cm}^{-3}$), the temperature evolution differs from the fiducial case owing to different H₂ abundance. When the difference in H_2 abundance becomes negligible due to the three-body reactions at $\sim 10^9 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, the temperature evolution converges. In above cases with high initial H₂ abundance (models S5 and S6), the temperature rises adiabatically around $n = 10^6 - 10^8 \text{cm}^{-3}$. In this regime, the actual contraction of clouds should be slower than the assumed free-fall rate. Longer contraction timescale reduces the compressional heating rate, and thus the temperature increase should be more gradual than in our model. Nevertheless, alteration of the evolution at this density range does not affect the maximum luminosity: in such high density regime where the maximum luminosity is attained, the evolution has converged already regardless of the behavior in the lower density regime.

In conclusion, the evolutionary trajectories of both temperature and HD abundance are most affected by the initial $y({\rm H_2})$ value. This difference disappears $n \sim 10^9 {\rm cm^{-3}}$ with rapid ${\rm H_2}$ formation by the three-body reactions. The evolution at high densities is independent of the initial conditions. In particular, the evolution of inner mass shells $(M_r \lesssim 50 M_{\odot})$ is independent of the initial conditions because the density there is higher than $10^9 {\rm cm^{-3}}$.

2.3.3. Luminosity Evolution

The maximum luminosities L_{peak} of the two strongest H₂ lines 1–0 Q(1) and 0–0 S(3)⁴, and the mass of the protostar when these maximum luminosities are attained, M_{peak} are

For example, the notation 1–0 Q(1) means the following transition: "1–0" denotes vibrational transition from v = 1 to 0. Q denotes the change of rotational quantum number $\Delta J = 0$. Similarly, O, P, R, and S,

presented in Table 3 for each model.

Table 3. Maximum Line Luminosities.

model	$L_{\text{peak}}(1\text{-}0 \text{ Q}(1))(10^{35} \text{erg s}^{-1})$	$M_{\rm peak}(M_{\odot})$	$L_{\text{peak}}(0\text{-}0 \text{ S}(3))(10^{35} \text{erg s}^{-1})$	$M_{\rm peak}(M_{\odot})$
S1	1.69	12.9	1.11	18.2
S2	1.70	13.8	1.11	18.2
S3	1.69	13.8	1.11	18.2
S4	1.69	13.8	1.11	18.2
S5	1.50	12.0	0.70	7.9
S6	1.63	12.9	0.91	10.5
S7	1.94	29.5	1.33	19.5

As examples, we choose the two strongest H₂ lines in our calculation, the rovibrational line of 1–0 Q(1) and pure rotational line of 0–0 S(3), whose wavelengths at rest are $2.34\mu m$ and $10.03\mu m$, respectively. For models S1, S2, S3, and S4 (cases with same initial H₂ abundances but different initial temperatures), the luminosities evolve in a similar way, since both the temperature and HD abundance converge immediately. In Figure 6(a), we show the luminosity evolution of models S1, S6, and S7, which are cases with the same initial temperatures, but with different initial H₂ abundances. The temperature, H₂ and HD abundances in these models are significantly different up to 10⁹ cm⁻³. For lower densities, the luminosity from the cores depends on initial conditions (Figure 6a), while for higher densities ($> 10^9 \text{cm}^{-3}$) physical quantities converge. Since temperature is higher in this range than in lower densities and the emission from the highest temperature region dominates the total emission (see §4.1 later), the similar temperatures lead to convergence of H₂ line luminosities for both the late collapse phase and the early accretion phase. Note that regardless of initial conditions, the peak values of the rovibrational line luminosities are almost unchanged: among our models, variations in $y_i(H_2)$ cause difference in the peak values by less than a factor of two. In Figure 6(b), we show the luminosity evolution of the HD lines 0–0 R(1) (56.2 μ m) and 0–0 R(7) (15.0 μ m), and that of the H_2 lines 1–0 Q(1) and 0–0S(3) for the model S6. This is the case with the same parameters as in paper I. Although the main coolant is still H₂ as in paper I, its cooling rate is reduced because of the contribution by HD cooling for the early collapse phase. Since physical quantities converge for higher densities ($> 10^9 \text{cm}^{-3}$) regardless of HD contribution in low density region (Figure 1, 5), the maximum luminosities of H₂ lines (Table 1 in paper I) remain almost the same.

denote $\Delta J = 2, 1, -1$, and -2, respectively. The number in brackets denotes the rotational quantum number after the transition.

3. Evolution of a Filamentary Cloud

A large pre-galactic cloud ($\gtrsim 10^8 M_{\odot}$) collapses into a sheet-like configuration because of an instability against non-spherical perturbation (Lin et al. 1965; Hutchins 1976; Susa et al. 1996). This oblate cloud experiences a shock and forms a postshock-cooled layer. The cooled layer more likely fragments into filamentary clumps than into spherical ones (Miyama et al. 1987a, 1987b). In the shocked layer, formation of H_2 and HD is promoted because of abundant free electrons produced by the shock heating, which catalyze the formation reactions (MacLow, Shull 1986; Shapiro, Kang 1987). The filaments continue to contract due to effective molecular cooling. At $\sim 10^9 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, where heat input by H_2 three-body formation becomes significant, the filaments fragment and dense star-forming cores are produced (Nakamura, Umemura 2002). This is in contrast to the situation in a small cloud ($\sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$), where cores directly form at $\sim 10^4 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ (Bromm et al. 1999,2002; Abel et al. 2000,2002). Because of a larger molecular abundance, stronger molecular emission is expected in filamentary clouds. Here, we then evaluate the molecular line luminosity from those filaments.

3.1. Model

In studying the thermal and chemical evolution of a filamentary cloud, we approximate the filament by an infinitely long cylindrical cloud, for simplicity. Since a sheet fragments when pressure retards gravitational contraction, in filaments thus formed, the pressure is comparable to the gravity. Moreover, the ratio of gravity to pressure force is constant during the isothermal evolution, which is indeed approximately the case. The small deviation from the isothermal evolution has an important dynamical effect. Here, we need to treat the effect of gas pressure carefully in our model.

A contracting filament consists of two parts, a denser spindle with almost flat density at the center and an envelope with lower denisty (e.g., Inutsuka, Miyama 1997). As in the case of spherical cores (section 2), we focus on this central dense spindle, and apply the virial equation for a cylinder with uniform density:

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d^2\mathcal{I}}{dt^2} = 2\mathcal{T} + 2\Pi - Gm^2,\tag{20}$$

where

$$\mathcal{I} = \int_{V} \rho r^2 dV, \ \mathcal{T} = \int_{V} \frac{1}{2} \rho u^2 dV, \ \Pi = \int_{V} p dV, \tag{21}$$

where the integration acts over the volume per unit cylinder length V, and m is the line density of the central spindle. Assuming constant density ρ in the spindle and using scale radius $R = \sqrt{m/\pi\rho}$, the integration can be worked out:

$$\mathcal{I} = \frac{1}{2}mR^2, \ \mathcal{T} = \frac{1}{4}m(\frac{dR}{dt})^2, \ \Pi = \frac{k_BT}{\mu m_H}m,$$
 (22)

where μ is the mean molecular weight, and $m_{\rm H}$ is the mass of a hydrogen nucleus. Substituting

equation (22) into equation (20), we obtain

$$\frac{d^2R}{dt^2} = -\frac{2G}{R}[m - m_{\text{crit}}(T)],\tag{23}$$

where the critical line density

$$m_{\rm crit}(T) = \frac{2k_B T}{\mu m_{\rm H} G}.$$
 (24)

Note that the gas pressure exactly balances the gravity for the critical line density $m_{\rm crit}(T)$.

The line density of the spindle m is not constant during the collapse. If the gravity is far larger than pressure, the outer part of the spindle is left to the envelope. In other words, when the line density of the central spindle m is much larger than the critical value $m_{\rm crit}$, m decreases during the collapse of the cylinder. To mimic this effect, we assume that if m is larger than a critical value, m decreases at the same rate as the core radius does:

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = (m - m_{\rm th}) \frac{1}{R} \frac{dR}{dt}.$$
 (25)

Here, we take the threshold line density $m_{\rm th} = 1.5 m_{\rm crit}$ following Nishi (2002), who found this treatment reproduces the numerical results of Nakamura and Umemura (1999) well.

As for the envelope, we employ an assumption similar to the case of spherical cores (section 2.1.1): physical quantities of a mass element evolve only when the mass element is inside the central spindle, and remain constant after the mass element is left to the envelope. Therefore, by calculating only physical quantities of the central spindle, we can obtain the whole cloud structure.

Thermal and chemical processes are treated in the same way as in the spherical case. The luminosity per unit length is also calculated in a way similar to before, by summing the emissivity both in the dense spindle and the envelope. When we compare this with the spherical ones, we set the filament mass to be $M_{\rm fil} = 10^5 M_{\odot}$, and thus length, $l_{\rm fil} = M_{\rm fil}/m_{\rm i}$.

When the fragmentation timescale of filaments $t_{\text{frag}} = 2.1/(2\pi G\rho)^{1/2}$ (Nagasawa 1987) becomes shorter than the collapse timescale $t_{\text{dyn}} = \rho/(d\rho/dt)$, fragmentation is expected to occur. We follow the evolution of the filaments up to this epoch.

3.2. Initial condition

Collapse and fragmentation of a filamentary primordial gas cloud have been investigated by some authors (e.g., Uehara et al. 1996; Uehara, Inutsuka 2000; Nakamura, Umemura 2002). Following the classification of the filaments by Nakamura and Umemura (2002), we study three varieties of filaments:

- F1: a low-density filament with low H_2 fraction, whose contraction is controlled by H_2 cooling: the initial number density $n_{\rm H} = 10^2 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, temperature $T = 400 {\rm K}$, and H_2 abundance $y({\rm H}_2) = 10^{-4}$,
- F2: a low-density filament with high H₂ fraction, whose contraction is controlled by HD cooling: $n_{\rm H} = 10^2 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, $T = 300 {\rm K}$, and $y({\rm H}_2) = 3 \times 10^{-3}$,

• F3: a high-density filament: $n_{\rm H} = 10^6 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, $T = 400 {\rm K}$, and $y({\rm H}_2) = 10^{-3}$.

We use the initial ionization degree in filaments $y(H^+) = y(e^-) = 5 \times 10^{-5}$ following Nakamura and Umemura (2002). Except H_2 , H^+ , and e^- , we use the same initial abundances of chemical species as in the case of the spherical cores.

Using the ratio of gravity to pressure gradient f, and the critical line mass $m_{\text{crit}}(T_{\text{init}})$ for initial temperature T_{init} , the initial line density m_{i} can be written as $m_{\text{init}} = f m_{\text{crit}}(T_{\text{init}})$. Here, we assume f = 2, which is the most probable value for filaments formed by fragmentation of a sheet-like cloud (Miyama et al. 1987a,b). For the total mass of $10^5 M_{\odot}$, the filament lengths are (F1)32.5 pc, (F2)43.4 pc, and (F3) 32.5 pc.

3.3. Results

3.3.1. Thermal and Chemical Evolution

Figures 7-9 show evolution of (a) temperature; (b) abundances of H_2 (solid line) and HD (dashed line); (c) cooling rates by H_2 L_{H_2} (solid line) and by HD L_{HD} (dashed line). We do not present the evolution of LiH abundance here, since LiH formation proceeds in a fashion similar to the case of the spherical cores: only a tiny fraction of Li becomes molecular form without affecting thermal evolution.

The overview of evolution in each case is as follows:

- F1: the low-density filament with low H₂ fraction

 The evolution resembles that of the spherical cores with low H₂ fraction (e.g., model S1 in section 2). HD fraction remains low (Figure 7b). Throughout the contraction, dominant cooling mechanism is H₂ line cooling, which nearly balances the compressional heating (Figure 7c). In densities higher than the critical density for collisional de-exitation of H₂ rotational level (~10⁴K), temperature rises slowly from 400K to 700K (Figure 7a,c). With the onset of rapid H₂ formation via the three-body reactions and resultant heat injection, the temperature rises suddenly and the pressure becomes stronger than the gravity (Figure 7c). At this moment (~10¹⁰cm⁻³) the fragmentation timescale t_{frag} becomes shorter than the collapse timescale t_{dyn} and then the cylinder fragments.
- F2: the low-density filament with high H_2 fraction As in the case of the star-forming cores with high H_2 fraction (model S5, 6 in section 2), HD is formed abundantly and becomes an important coolant (Figure 8a,c). As a result, the temperature goes down to < 100K. When the filament contracts $n \gtrsim 10^5 \text{cm}^{-3}$, which is the critical density for HD collisional de-excitation, the temperature begins rising as described in section 2.3.1. Owing to this temperature increase, HD begins to dissociate. This results in further temperature increase and the fragmentation occurs at < 10^7cm^{-3} .
- F3: the high-density filament The initial density being already higher than the LTE critical density for H_2 and HD($\sim 10^4 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ for H_2 and $\sim 10^5 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ for HD), the temperature increases with increasing

density.

This filament begin to collapse at rather high density from a highly gravitationally unstable (f=2) state. Even in a density range as high as $\sim 10^8 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, the gravity dominates over the pressure, and the filament contracts faster than in other models. Then, in spite of ${\rm H_2}$ formation heating around $n \gtrsim 10^8 {\rm cm}^{-3}$, this filament contracts without fragmenting until $\sim 10^{13} {\rm cm}^{-3}$ where it becomes opaque to the ${\rm H_2}$ lines.

3.3.2. Luminosities from the Filaments

In Figure 10, time-averaged luminosities of H_2 and HD lines from the filamentary clouds are shown. Here, time averaging is over the total contraction time before fragmentation. Total mass of the filaments is normalized to $10^5 M_{\odot}$.

In model F3 (Figure 10c), the filament evolves in the region of high temperature $(400\text{K} \lesssim T \lesssim 1500\text{K})$ and high density $(10^6\text{cm}^{-3} \lesssim n \lesssim 10^{13}\text{cm}^{-3})$ where H₂ cooling is efficient. Accordingly, strong radiation is emitted with some H₂ lines exceeding 10^{37}erg s^{-1} and HD lines exceeding 10^{36}erg s^{-1} . Luminosities are weaker for model F1 where all the line luminosities are less than 10^{36}erg s^{-1} (figure 10a) because of the lower temperature (400-700K) in model F1 throughout the contraction. With temperature even lower (T < 200K), in model F2 only a few lower-lying rotational lines of H₂ and HD are stronger than 10^{34}erg s^{-1} . Since HD is more effective as a coolant than H₂, most of the H₂ lines are very faint $(< 10^{32}\text{erg s}^{-1})$.

For the purpose of seeing the effect of cloud geometry, we show in Figure 10(d) the mean luminosities of spherical star-forming cores of total mass $10^5 M_{\odot}$ calculated with the same initial condition as for model (F3). We can see that line luminosities of model (F3) are stronger than those of star-forming cores with the same mass by about an order of magnitude. The reason is as follows: In the case of a spherical core, the fully molecular region, where H_2 emission is strongest owing to heating by H_2 formation, accounts for at most $\sim 1 M_{\odot}$ at the center (Omukai, Nishi 1998). Most of the matter is left to the envelope before this epoch. On the other hand, in the cylindrical case, the fraction of envelope mass is less than that in the case of the run-away collapse phase. Although the radius of the fully molecular region at the center of the cylinder is almost the same as in the spherical case, its length in the axis direction is longer. Therefore, the mass of the fully molecular spindle is larger and emission from it is stronger.

4. Discussion

4.1. Analytical Expression for the Luminosity

In this section, we derive an analytical expression for the luminosity from the collapsing clumps, which reproduces well our numerical results. First, let us consider the luminosity from a spherical core in the collapse phase. During the run-away collapse phase, length scale of the central region is about a Jeans length $\lambda_{\rm J}$ and mass of the region $M_{\rm cen}$ is about a Jeans mass $M_{\rm J} \equiv \rho \lambda_{\rm J}^3$. Using cooling rate (per unit volume) in the central region $\Lambda_{\rm cen}$, the luminosity from

the central region is given by

$$L_{\rm cen} \simeq M_{\rm cen} \Lambda_{\rm cen} / \rho_{\rm cen}$$
. (26)

Here we assume an energy balance between heating and cooling, which is valid in a good accuracy during the run-away collapse phase:

$$\Lambda_{\rm cen} \simeq \Gamma_{\rm cen}$$
. (27)

Also, we consider only the compression as a source of heating, then

$$\frac{\Gamma_{\rm cen}}{\rho_{\rm cen}} \simeq -P_{\rm cen} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_{\rm cen}} \right) \simeq \frac{k_{\rm B}T}{\mu m_{\rm H}} \frac{1}{t_{\rm ff}},\tag{28}$$

where we have assumed that the timescale of contraction is approximated by the free-fall time. Substituting equations (27) (28) into (26), the luminosity from the central region is given by

$$L_{\rm cen} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{32}{3\pi}} \frac{c_{\rm s}^5}{G} \simeq 46 L_{\odot} \left(\frac{T}{1000K}\right)^{\frac{5}{2}} {\rm erg \ s}^{-1}.$$
 (29)

Note that L_{cen} is a function only of temperature: it does not depend, for example, on mass or density of the central region. In other words, if the temperature is constant throughout the evolution, the luminosity from the central region remains constant.

To calculate the total luminosity, we need to add the contribution from the envelope. In the collapse phase, the Jeans mass decreases with increasing density. A mass shell initially contained within the central region at some time leaves the central evolution and becomes part of the envelope when the mass inside the shell equals the central Jeans mass. We assume that physical quantities in the envelope are frozen: physical quantities on a mass shell are kept constant after the shell leaves the central region until the end of the collapse phase. Then, the cooling rate of a mass shell in the envelope is given by that of the central region at the moment when the shell is detached from there. Because of homogeneity inside the central region, the cooling rate in this region is

$$\left(\frac{\Lambda}{\rho}\right)_{\text{cen}} = \frac{L_{\text{cen}}}{M_{\text{cen}}} \tag{30}$$

where L_{cen} and M_{cen} is the luminosity and mass of the central region. Since a shell that contains mass M inside is detached from the central region when $M_{\text{cen}} = M$, the cooling rate of the mass shell in the envelope $\Lambda(M)$ is given by

$$\frac{\Lambda}{\rho}(M) = \frac{L_{\text{cen}}}{M}.\tag{31}$$

Here we use the constancy of luminosity of the central region i.e., $L_{\text{cen}}(M) = L_{\text{cen}}$ (see equation 29), considering a star-forming core collapsing isothermally. Summing over all the mass shells in the envelope, the luminosity of the envelope is

$$L_{\rm env} = \int_{M_{\rm cen}}^{M_{\rm tot}} \frac{\Lambda}{\rho}(M)dM \tag{32}$$

$$= L_{\rm cen} \ln \left(\frac{M_{\rm tot}}{M_{\rm cen}} \right), \tag{33}$$

where M_{tot} is the total mass of the star-forming core. Then, the total luminosity of the star-forming core is

$$L_{\text{tot}} = L_{\text{cen}} + L_{\text{env}} \tag{34}$$

$$= L_{\rm cen} \left[1 + \ln \left(\frac{M_{\rm tot}}{M_{\rm cen}} \right) \right]. \tag{35}$$

The envelope contribution enhances the total luminosity only logarithmically: with increasing central density and decreasing $M_{\rm cen}$, total luminosity increases only very slowly. In the following, we do not discriminate between $L_{\rm cen}$ and $L_{\rm tot}$. Recall that, in deriving the expression above, we have not specified a mechanism for cooling. In the case of primordial gas, which we consider here, cooling is via H_2 and HD line cooling. If many lines are equally important for cooling, the total luminosity is divided into them. However, in many situations, one or two lines become dominant. In such cases, the luminosities of these lines are given approximately by the total luminosity $L_{\rm tot}$. From equation (29), we also see that when HD becomes more important than H_2 in cooling, low temperature ($\sim 100 \, {\rm K}$) causes a corresponding drop in luminosity.

Here we compare the analytical expression (29) with the numerical results in section 2. In Figure 11, we show the H₂-line luminosity $L_{\rm H_2}$ for model S1 and the analytical values (29) for the model S1 temperature evolution. Also shown are the analytical values for constant temperatures $T=500{\rm K}$ and $1000{\rm K}$. For $n<10^8{\rm cm}^{-3}$, the numerical value $L_{\rm H_2}$ matches well the analytical value $L_{\rm cen}$. On the other hand, the numerical result deviates from the analytical value for higher densities $(n>10^8{\rm cm}^{-3})$ because the assumption that the main heating source is gravitational compression, which is postulated in deriving equation (29), is violated: for these high densities, dominant heating process is the chemical energy released by H₂ formation. In particular, the strongest emission comes from the region of $n=10^9-10^{10}{\rm cm}^{-3}$, where H₂ formation is most active. For higher densities $(n>10^{10}{\rm cm}^{-3})$, since majority of hydrogen has already become the molecular form, the chemical heating decreases and has little contribution to the entire luminosity. Then, when the central density is larger than $10^{10}{\rm cm}^{-3}$, the total luminosity is dominated by the contribution from the envelope of $n=10^9-10^{10}{\rm cm}^{-3}$. The constancy of luminosity for $n>10^{10}{\rm cm}^{-3}$ is the result of the dominance of the emission from the envelope, which hardly evolve during the collapse of the center.

Next, we discuss the case of filamentary clouds. The size of the central spindle is again about a Jeans length $\lambda_{\rm J}$ and the line density of the spindle is $\sim \rho_{\rm cen} \lambda_{\rm J}^2$. The contribution of luminosity from the central spindle is then

$$L_{\rm sp} \simeq \rho_{\rm cen} \lambda_{\rm J}^2 l(\Lambda_{\rm cen}/\rho_{\rm cen}),$$
 (36)

where l is the filament length. As in the case of spherical cores, the thermal balance (equation 27) is maintained during the collapse. If heating is due only to compression, using equations (27), (28) and (36), the luminosity of the spindle is given by

$$L_{\rm sp} \simeq \rho_{\rm cen} \lambda_{\rm J,cen}^2 l \frac{k_{\rm B} T}{\mu m_{\rm H}} \frac{1}{t_{\rm ff}} \simeq 4.2 \times 10^3 L_{\odot} \left(\frac{T}{500 K}\right)^2 \left(\frac{n}{10^6 {\rm cm}^{-3}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{l}{100 {\rm pc}}\right).$$
 (37)

Unlike spherical cores, the luminosity of a filamentary cloud rises with increasing density even in the isothermal case. So far, we have considered only the contribution from the central spindle. In the isothermal case, since the line density of the central spindle, $\rho_{\rm cen}\lambda_{\rm J}^2$, is constant, all the matter in the filament contracts uniformly without being left to the envelope. The central contribution $L_{\rm sp}$ becomes equal to the total luminosity. Indeed, the filaments remain at approximately constant temperature in many cases in section 3. Then, we assume in the following that $L_{\rm tot} \simeq L_{\rm fil}$.

Next, we compare the analytical expression (37) with the numerical results. We consider the range $n < 10^8 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$, where $\mathrm{H_2}$ formation heating is not important. In figure 12, luminosity evolution of models F1-3 is shown, along with analytical values shown by equation (37) for $T = 100 \,\mathrm{K}$, 500 K, and 1000 K. The temperatures in models F1 and F3 are about 500 K and remain roughly constant, while in model F2 the temperature is about 100 K, but with significant variation. For model F1, the analytical value matches the numerical one by a factor < 3. Agreement between them is even better for model F3. In the case of model F2, the numerical luminosity deviates from the analytical one for 100 K because of a large variation in temperature. When we calculate the analytical value using the temperature evolution of the numerical result, our numerical result agrees with the analytical one within a factor of a few. In summary, the analytical estimates reproduce our numerical calculation within a factor of a few.

4.2. Expected Luminosity from Pop III Star-Forming Galaxies

In this section, we discuss the condition of the Pop III star-formation rate (SFR) ψ_{III} and formation redshift z for enabling the detection of molecular emission by next generation facilities, in particular, JWST (optical–mid-infrared wavelengths) and SPICA (mid–far-infrared wavelengths). Hereafter, we consider Pop III star-forming galaxies where star formation proceeds through low-density filaments or through high-density filaments.

First, we discuss the case of star formation through the low-density filaments. In this scenario, in a large pre-galactic cloud, shocked layers formed at virialization fragment into low-density ($\sim 10^2 {\rm cm}^{-3}$) filaments, which again fragment at $\sim 10^7 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ into star-forming cores of $10-40 M_{\odot}$ (Nakamura, Umemura 2002). In the following, the mass of the cores is assumed to be $\sim 10 M_{\odot}$. Under the assumption that the relative number of cores in a specific evolutionary phase is proportional to the duration of that phase, the luminosity averaged over the lifetime of a core $\bar{L}_{\rm core}$ coincides with the ensemble mean luminosity of cores in a pre-galactic cloud. Here, the physical quantities at the fragmentation of the low density filaments are similar to those of the star-forming core at $n \sim 10^7 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ in model S6 of section 2. Then, in the following numerical evaluation, we use the model S6 core at $n \gtrsim 10^7 {\rm cm}^{-3}$ as a model of the fragments. The duration of the core collapse is $\sim \Delta t_{\rm core} = 10^5 {\rm year}$ and the time-averaged luminosities of

the strongest lines from the cores, which include H_2 rovibrational lines of 1–0 Q(1)(2.34 μ m), $1-0 \text{ O}(3)(2.69\mu\text{m}), 1-0 \text{ O}(5)(3.04\mu\text{m}), \text{ and H}_2 \text{ pure rotational lines of } 0-0 \text{ S}(3)(10.03\mu\text{m}), 0-0$ $S(4)(8.27\mu m)$, 0-0 $S(5)(7.07\mu m)$), are $\bar{L}_{core} \simeq (2-6) \times 10^{33} erg s^{-1}$. On the other hand, for the low-density filament before fragmentation into cores (model F2 in section 3), the strongest lines are H₂ pure rotational lines: $0-0 S(0)(29.7\mu m)$, $0-0 S(1)(17.9\mu m)$, and HD pure rotational lines: $0-0 \text{ R}(0)(112\mu\text{m})$, $0-0 \text{ R}(1)(56.2\mu\text{m})$ with $\bar{L}_{\rm fil} \simeq (2-5) \times 10^{34} \text{erg s}^{-1}$. The duration of the filamentary contraction is roughly $\Delta t_{\rm core} = 4 \times 10^6 \text{year}$. Since the strongest lines differ between the core and the filament, we can judge the conditions of emission regions by the line diagnosis. Next, we estimate luminosity from the whole pre-galactic cloud using the values of luminosity from the individual cores/filaments given above. With luminosity of a line from the core $L_{\rm core}$ and number of cores in cloud $N_{\rm core}$, the luminosity of the line from the whole cloud $L_{\rm cl,core}$ is described by $L_{\rm cl,core} = \bar{L}_{\rm core} N_{\rm core}$. The total number of star formation cores $N_{\rm core}$ is $\psi_{III} \Delta t / M_*$ using the Pop III SFR ψ_{III} , the typical mass of formed star M_* and the lifetime of the core Δt . Here we assume that the star formation efficiency ϵ is unity because the density is sufficiently high $(n \sim 10^7 {\rm cm}^{-3})$ for star formation. Using the luminosity of the strongest lines (e.g., H₂ 0-0S(3) at $10.03\mu m$ or 0-0S(5) at $7.07\mu m$) from an individual core $\bar{L}_{core} = 5 \times 10^{33} (erg \ s^{-1})$, the stellar mass $M_* = 10 M_{\odot}$, and the lifetime of the core $\Delta t = 10^5 \text{yr}$, the luminosity from the whole pre-galactic cloud is

$$L_{\text{cl,core}} = \bar{L}_{\text{core}} \left(\frac{\psi_{III} \Delta t}{M_*} \right) = 5 \times 10^{39} \left(\frac{\psi_{III}}{100 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}} \right) \text{erg s}^{-1}.$$
 (38)

Next we consider the contribution from filaments. The number of filaments in a pre-galactic cloud is $N_{\rm fil} = \psi_{III} \Delta t_{\rm fil} / \epsilon M_{\rm fil}$. In numerical evaluation, we use $\epsilon = 0.1$, which is a typical value of star formation efficiency of some cluster forming regions (e.g., Megeath et al. 1996; Kumar et al. 2004). Using the contraction time of filaments $\Delta t_{\rm fil} = 4 \times 10^6 {\rm yr}$, the mass of a single filament $M_{\rm fil} = 10^5 M_{\odot}$, the luminosity of the strongest line (i.e., HD 0-0R(0) at $112 \mu {\rm m}$) of a single filament $\bar{L}_{\rm fil} = 5 \times 10^{34} {\rm erg~s^{-1}}$, the sum of luminosities from filaments is

$$L_{\text{cl,fil}} = \bar{L}_{\text{fil}} \left(\frac{\psi_{III} \Delta t}{\epsilon M_{\text{fil}}} \right) = 2 \times 10^{39} \left(\frac{\psi_{III}}{100 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}} \right) \text{erg s}^{-1}.$$
 (39)

Thus, the flux from the cloud at redshift z

$$F = \frac{L_{\rm cl}}{4\pi D_{1+z}^2} \tag{40}$$

where $L_{\rm cl}$ is the luminosity from the whole pre-galactic cloud and D_{1+z} is luminosity distance at redshift z. We use the cosmological parameters $H_0 = 70 \, {\rm km s^{-1} Mpc^{-1}}$, $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.7$ and $\Omega_{\rm M} = 0.3$. In Figure 13 we show the redshift-SFR domain where the H₂-line flux exceeds the detection limit of SPICA, $10^{-22} - 10^{-21} {\rm Wm^{-2}}$ in the mid- and far-infrared wavelengths with a spectroscopic resolution R = 3000 and observation time of 10 hours (private communication; H. Matsuhara). SPICA is the most sensitive in the redshifted wavelengths of molecular emission for z < 10 among next-generation facilities. In Figure 13, the top and bottom lines are drawn by the criterion

 $F = L_{\rm cl}/4\pi D_{1+z}^2 > 10^{-22} {\rm Wm}^{-2}$ using the luminosities from the whole cloud $L_{\rm cl} = 10^{37} \psi_{III} {\rm erg~s}^{-1}$ and $= 5 \times 10^{37} \psi_{III} {\rm erg~s}^{-1}$, respectively. With Pop III SFR as high as $\sim 10^3 - 10^4 M_{\odot} {\rm yr}^{-1}$ at redshift z < 8 - 10, SPICA can detect the strongest H₂ and HD lines, such as H₂: 1–0 Q(1), 1–0 O(3), 1–0 O(5), 0–0 S(0), 0–0 S(1), 0–0 S(3), 0–0 S(4), 0–0 S(5), HD: 0–0 R(1). Being more sensitive than SPICA for $\lambda < 10 \mu {\rm m}$, JWST can detect H₂ vibrational lines under the same condition in Figure 13. However, strong H₂ and HD pure rotational lines are redshifted away from the JWST band for $z \gtrsim 3$. To study the physical condition of emission regions using the luminosity ratio of rotational and vibrational lines, SPICA is more suitable.

Next, we discuss the case of star formation through the high-density filaments ($\gtrsim 10^6 {\rm cm}^{-3}$). Because the formation mechanism of these high-density filaments remains unclear, we do not try to include the emission from the lower density region and consider only the contribution from the high-density filaments (model F3 in section 3). The strongest emission lines in this case are very similar to those from spherical cores, and their time-averaged luminosities are $\bar{L}_{\rm fil} \gtrsim 10^{37} {\rm erg~s^{-1}}$ for filament mass of $10^5 M_{\odot}$ (see figure 10c). The number of filaments in the pre-galactic cloud $N_{\rm fil} = (\psi_{III} \Delta t_{\rm fil}/\epsilon M_{\rm fil})$. Because all the matter in the filaments is dense enough to form stars, we assume that SFR in these filaments is unity: $\epsilon = 1$. The sum of luminosities in a strong line over all the filaments in the pre-galactic cloud

$$L_{\text{cl,fil}} = \bar{L}_{\text{fil}} \left(\frac{\psi_{III} \Delta t}{\epsilon M_{\text{fil}}} \right) = 10^{37} \psi_{III} \text{ erg s}^{-1}, \tag{41}$$

where we have used the contraction time $\Delta t_{\rm fil} = 10^5 {\rm yr}$ and the mass of a filament $M_{\rm fil} = 10^5 M_{\odot}$ and the luminosity of the strongest lines (e.g., H₂: 1–0 Q(1), 1–0 O(3), 1–0 O(5), 0–0 S(3), 0–0 S(4), 0–0 S(5)) $\bar{L}_{\rm fil} = 10^{37} {\rm erg~s^{-1}}$. The $z - \psi_{III}$ domain for detection of the molecular emission by SPICA for the high-density filaments is also shown in Figure 13. We can see that SPICA and JWST can detect the molecular emission if the SFR is as high as $\sim 10^{3-4} M_{\odot} {\rm yr^{-1}}$ at redshift z < 7.

In summary, in both cases, high ($\sim 1000 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}$) Pop III SFR at redshift z < 7 is required for protogalaxies to be observable by next-generation facilities through the molecular emission.

How much mass is needed in these pre-galactic clouds? Duration of star formation in a pre-galactic cloud would be larger than the free-fall time of the cloud, $t_{\rm ff} \simeq 10^7 {\rm yr}$ for $\simeq 1 {\rm cm}^{-3}$. For star formation to continue at a rate of ψ_{III} during this period, gas mass of $\psi_{III}t_{\rm ff}$ is required. For $\psi_{III}>10^4 M_{\odot}{\rm yr}^{-1}$, the gas mass of a pre-galactic cloud exceeds $10^{11}M_{\odot}$. Also, metallicity in the cloud must be lower than $10^{-4}-10^{-3}Z_{\odot}$ to cool and emit a copious amount of primordial molecular emission (Omukai et al. 2005). In the standard bottom-up scenario of galaxy formation, when building blocks assemble into a protogalaxy as massive as $\sim 10^9 M_{\odot}$, the volume-averaged metallicity of gas has reached [Fe/H] = -2.30 via metal diffusion by supernovae (Mori et al. 2004). Their results also show that the metal mixing proceeds quite imhomogeneously. Large spatial variation of metallicity ranging from [Fe/H] ≈ -5 to 0 is found in high-density (> 1 cm⁻³) regions. While the ambient gas of supernovae is polluted by metals,

most of the gas remains at low metallicity, $[Fe/H] \sim -5$. Within a relatively metal-polluted pregalactic cloud, a large number of almost metal-free regions can be contained. If star formation is active in such very metal-poor regions, next-generation facilities might have a chance of detecting the H_2 and HD lines emitted in those regions.

4.3. Observational Strategy for Discovering Pop III Galaxies

Finally, we propose a strategy for discovering pre-galactic clouds that contain Pop III star-forming regions. Such objects are likely to be metal-deficient. A method for finding such objects is then to look for the $L\alpha$ -line emission, which is expected to be emitted copiously ($\sim 10^{42} {\rm erg \ s^{-1}}$) at the virialization of massive $(10^{11} - 10^{12} M_{\odot})$ pre-galactic clouds (Omukai, Kitayama 2003). A number of $L\alpha$ blobs and $L\alpha$ emitters have been found in recent surveys. Although the emission mechanism of those objects still remains disputed, among hypotheses is the cooling radiation at the virialization (Steidel et al. 2000, Haiman et al. 2000, Fardel et al. 2001). Some $L\alpha$ blobs are very diffuse and in their vicinity no bright continuum source is found. These properties are indeed expected for the $L\alpha$ -cooling objects (Matsuda et al. 2004).

Recently, L α blobs that are brighter than $10^{43} {\rm erg~s^{-1}}$ and larger than 100kpc have been found in and around a protocluster region at redshift z = 3.1 (e.g., Steidel et al. 2000, Matsuda et al. 2004). Those L α blobs meet the detection condition derived in section 4.2 above, namely, being Milky-Way sized and located at $z \sim 3$. If those L α blobs indeed originate in the cooling radiation of low-metallicity gas, there might be a number of Pop III star-formation regions inside them. As an observational strategy, we propose first to select candidates by investigating metallicities of L α blobs with spectroscopic analysis and then to look for the molecular lines using SPICA or JWST (see also Omukai, Kitayama 2003).

5. Summary

We have studied chemical evolution of primordial molecules (H₂, HD and LiH) in starforming clumps and evaluated their line luminosities. We have found conditions of the star formation rate and the formation redshift of a Pop III star-forming pre-galactic cloud to be observable by SPICA and JWST.

In the case with high initial H_2 abundance, HD cooling becomes effective at low density $n < 10^6 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$ and affects the thermal evolution. At densities higher than the LTE critical density $\sim 10^5 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$, temperature increases and HD is dissociated. At high enough density $(n > 10^9 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3})$, H_2 dominates the cooling and HD has negligible effects on the evolution. LiH cooling remains insignificant despite the expectation that LiH can be an important coolant owing to abundant LiH formation at the high density $(n > 10^{12} \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3})$; e.g., Lepp, Shull 1986; Stancil et al. 1996). Even though the three-body LiH formation is included, the molecular fraction of lithium remains low $(< 10^{-3})$ owing to efficient dissociation through LiH + H \rightarrow Li + H_2 .

Molecular emission from a star-forming core reaches the maximum shortly after the

formation of a central protostar. Since the evolution has already converged by this moment, maximum luminosities of lines hardly depend on the initial conditions. Most luminous lines include H_2 lines of 1–0 Q(1), 1–0 O(3), 0–0 S(3), and 0–0 S(4). Their luminosities are \gtrsim $10^{35} {\rm erg~s^{-1}}$ for the core of $10^3 M_{\odot}$. For a contracting high-density filament, strongest lines include H_2 lines of 1–0 Q(1), 1–0 O(3), 1–0 O(5), 0–0 S(3), 0–0 S(4) and 0–0 S(5). The luminosities of these lines are $\gtrsim 10^{37} {\rm erg \ s^{-1}}$ for a filament of $10^5 M_{\odot}$. On the other hand, for a low-density filament of $10^5 M_{\odot}$, the luminosities reach $> 10^{34} {\rm erg \ s^{-1}}$ for the strongest lines (H_2 lines of 0–0 S(0), 0–0 S(1), and HD lines of 0–0 R(0), 0–0 R(1)) before fragmentation into cores. In protogalaxies with a high Pop III star formation rate $\sim 10^3 - 10^4 M_{\odot} {\rm yr}^{-1}$ at redshift z < 7, SPICA is able to detect H₂ lines such as 1–0 Q(1), 1–0 O(3), 1–0 O(5), 0–0 S(0), 0-0 S(1), 0-0 S(3), 0-0 S(4), and 0-0 S(5), and the HD line 0-0 R(1). Since JWST is more sensitive than SPICA in the near-infrared wavelengths $\lesssim 10 \mu m$, JWST also can detect the H₂ rovibrational lines. SPICA, whose bands include mid- and far-infrared wavelengths, has advantage of observing redshifted H_2 and HD pure rotational lines emitted z > 3. Then, we can reveal physical conditions of star-forming regions by diagnosing the rotational and vibrational line ratios. Provided such objects exist, these facilities can directly probe Pop III star formation through H_2 lines.

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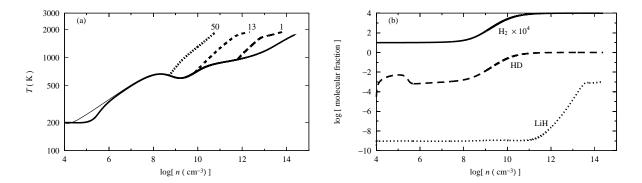


Fig. 1. Evolution of (a) the temperature and (b) the molecular fractions of H (solid) and D (dashed) and Li (dotted) against the number density for the fiducial model (S1). The molecular fraction is the fraction of each element locked into the molecular species shown. In (a), the temperature in the central part in the run-away collapse phase is drawn with a thick solid line. Here, that of the model with the same parameters as in the fiducial model but without HD cooling (thin line) is also shown for comparison. For the accretion phase, the evolutionary trajectories of the mass shells of $M/M_{\odot} = 1$ (long-dashed lines), 13 (short-dashed lines) and 50 (dotted lines) are shown. In (b), only the evolutionary trajectories of the central region are shown. The H₂ fraction is shifted by 10^4 for clarity.

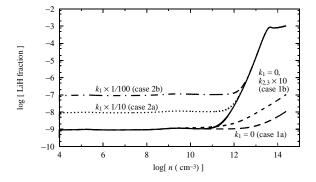


Fig. 2. Evolution of LiH abundance for different formation rate coefficients. Shown are the values at the center in the collapse phase. The standard case, whose rates are given in Table 1, is shown by the solid line. The cases 1a, b, where the molecular exchange reaction (reaction 1 in Table 1) are omitted, are shown by long-dashed (1a) and short-dashed lines (1b). In the case 1a the coefficients of the three-body reactions (reactions 2,3 in Table 1) are the same as the standard values, while in the case 1b they are increased by a factor of ten. The cases with reduced rates of the molecular exchange reaction and its inverse by a factor of 10 (case 2a) or 100 (2b) from the standard ones are shown by dotted and long-dash-dotted lines.

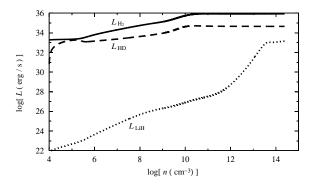


Fig. 3. Evolution of the cooling rate by H₂ (solid line), HD (dashed line) and LiH (dotted line) in the run-away collapse phase against the number density for the fiducial model (S1).

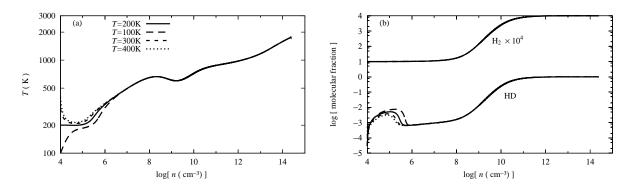


Fig. 4. Effect of difference at the initial temperature $T_{\rm init}$: (a) temperature evolution and (b) evolution of the H₂ (upper lines) and HD (bottom lines) fractions against the number density for the run-away collapse phase. The evolutionary trajectories of model S1 (fiducial): $T_{\rm init} = 200 {\rm K}$ (solid), S2: $T_{\rm init} = 100 {\rm K}$ (long-dashed), S3: $T_{\rm init} = 300 {\rm K}$ (short-dashed) and S4: $T_{\rm init} = 400 {\rm K}$ (dotted) are shown.

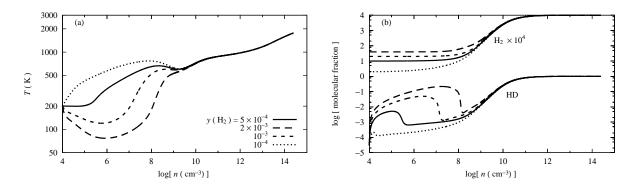


Fig. 5. Effect of difference in the initial H_2 concentration $y_{\text{init}}(H_2)$. Meaning of the panels is the same as in Figure 2. The evolutionary trajectories of model S1 (fiducial): $y_{\text{init}}(H_2) = 5 \times 10^{-4}$ (solid), S5: $y_{\text{init}}(H_2) = 2 \times 10^{-3}$ (long-dashed), S6: $y_{\text{init}}(H_2) = 10^{-3}$ (short-dashed) and S7: $y_{\text{init}}(H_2) = 10^{-4}$ (dotted) are shown.

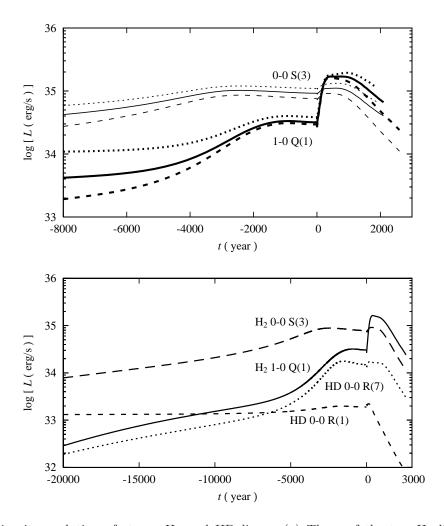


Fig. 6. Luminosity evolution of strong H_2 and HD lines. (a) Those of the two H_2 liens, 1–0 Q(1) (thick lines) and 0–0S(3) (thin lines), are shown for models S1 (fiducial; solid), S6 (dashed) and S7 (dotted). (b) Those of the same H_2 lines (solid and long-dashed lines) as (a), and of the two HD lines, 0–0 R(1) (short-dashed) and 0–0 R(7) (dotted) are shown for model S6. Formation of the central protostar corresponds to t=0. Evolution up to the protostar mass of $70M_{\odot}$ is shown.

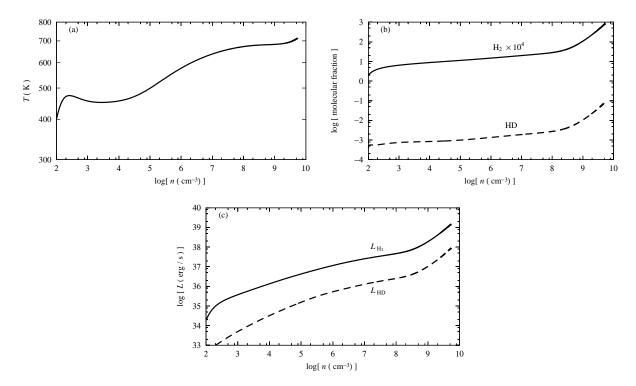


Fig. 7. Evolution of the filamentary cloud of model F1, where the contraction is induced by the H_2 cooling. Shown are (a) the temperature, (b) the H (solid) and D (dashed) molecular fractions and (c) the cooling rate by H_2 line (solid) and HD line (dashed) at the center.

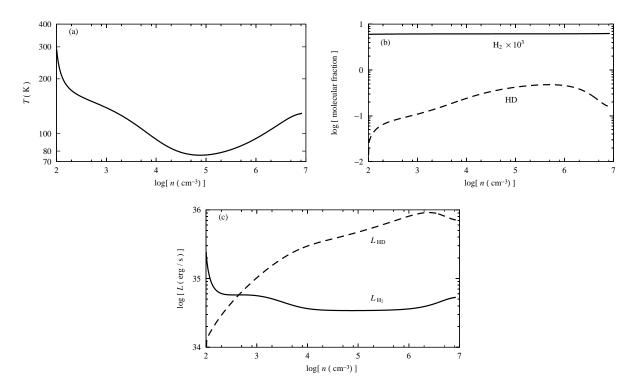


Fig. 8. Evolution of the filamentary cloud of model F2, where the contraction is induced by the HD cooling. Meaning of the panels is the same as figure 7.

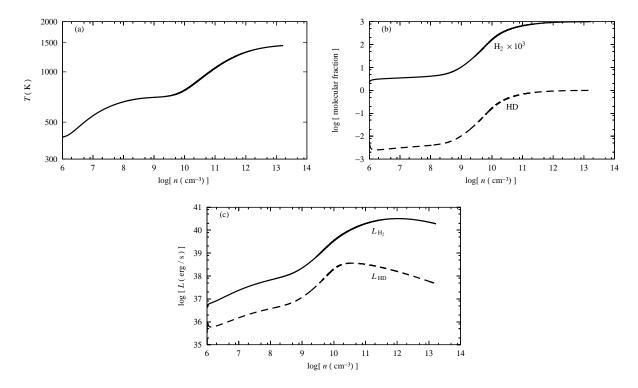


Fig. 9. Evolution of the filamentary cloud of model F3, the case of a high-density filament. Meaning of the panels is the same as figure 7.

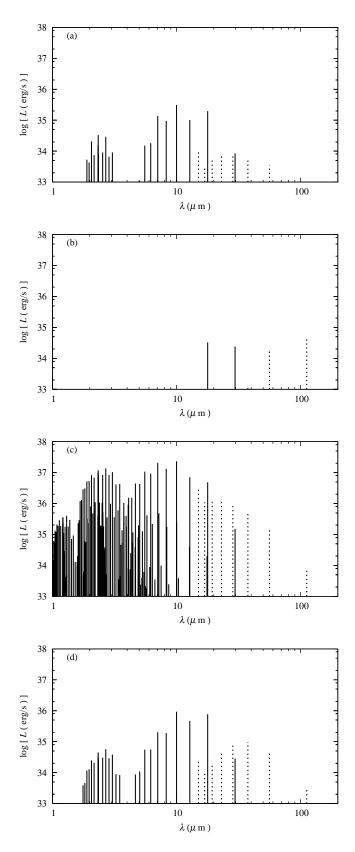


Fig. 10. Luminosities of individual H_2 lines (solid lines) and HD lines (dotted lines) averaged over the contraction time. Shown are for models (a) F1, (b) F2, and (c) F3. The mass is normalized to $10^5 M_{\odot}$ for all cases. Also, in panel (d), the case of a sphereal core in the collapse phase with the same initial condition as model F3 is shown.

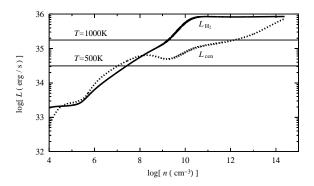


Fig. 11. The luminosity in the H_2 lines (solid) for a spherical core (the fiducial model S1) in the collapse phase against the number density. Dotted and thin lines show the values by the analytical expression (equation 29) for the temperature evolution in model S1 and for constant temperatures of T = 500K and 1000K.

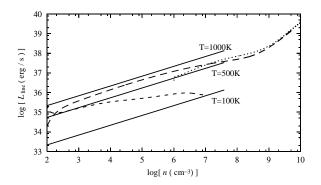


Fig. 12. Total luminosity for filaments of model F1 (long-dashed; a low-density filament with efficient H_2 cooling), F2 (short-dashed; a low-density filament with efficient HD cooling), F3 (dotted; a high-density filament). Also shown by solid lines are the analytical values (equation 36) for T = 100K,500K, and 1000K.

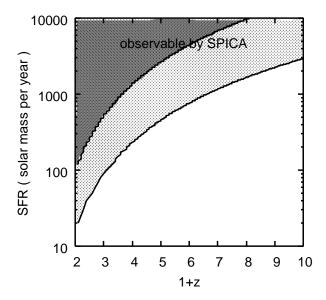


Fig. 13. The redshift-star formation rate (SFR) domain where the strongest H₂ line flux $F = L_{\rm cl}/4\pi D_{1+z}^2$ exceeds the detection limit of SPICA, $\sim 10^{-22} {\rm Wm}^{-2}$. The dark (light) gray regions are the domain detectable by SPICA for the cases where the luminosity from the whole pre-galactic cloud is $L_{\rm cl} = 10^{37} \psi_{\rm III} {\rm erg~s}^{-1} \ (= 5 \times 10^{37} \psi_{\rm III} {\rm erg~s}^{-1}$, respectively). Pop III star-forming galaxies at redshift z = 3 - 10 with Pop III SFR $\sim 10^{3-4} M_{\odot} {\rm yr}^{-1}$ are detectable by SPICA.

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